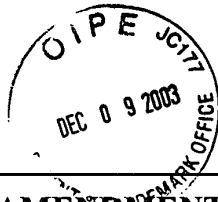
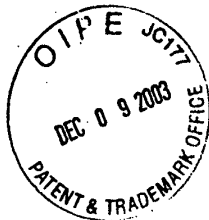


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Applicant(s): Taizo Noda					
Invention: SURFACE TREATING AGENT FOR LIGNEOUS FLOORINGS AND PROCESS MANUFACTURING THE SAME					
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2003 (Paper No. 3), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.